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# Police kill 3 kidnappers, rescue Italian Catholic priest

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The police in Edo State have killed three kidnappers and rescued a kidnapped Italian Catholic priest of the Somascan Fathers Community, Rev Fr Luigi Brena.

It was gathered that the kidnappers were killed yesterday at Ogunwenyi, a community in Ovia South West LGA in a battle with the police.

The spokesperson of the command, Chidi Nwabuzor, confirmed the incident, saying the Iguobazuwa Division received information that Rev Fr Luigi Brena (64) was kidnapped by in Ogunwenyi.

He said the police mobilised to the scene and that on sighting them, the hoodlums engaged them in a gun battle and that in the process the police killed three of the suspects while the rest escaped into the forest and abandoned the priest.

He further said the victim was rushed to the Igbinedion University Teaching Hospital, Okada.



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